



**PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF BELLEVUE
HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Bellevue, Washington, will hold a public hearing on July 24, 2014. The City's Human Services Commission will receive comments regarding: 1) the City's proposed use of its 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and 2015-2016 Human Services Fund and 2) the City's strategies to address the human services and housing needs of our community.

1. Use of CDBG and Human Services Funds

The City of Bellevue Human Services Commission has developed preliminary recommendations on the use of 2015 federal funds awarded to the City by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, known as the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. These preliminary recommendations will guide the use of \$878,340 in estimated 2015 federal funds granted by HUD and over \$3.1 million in estimated Human Services Funds from the City of Bellevue for 2015 and for 2016. Following the public hearing, the Commission will finalize the recommendations, which will be presented to the City Council for final approval.

The purpose of the CDBG Program is to help develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. CDBG funds can be used to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and public services.

Each project or program considered for funding is measured against locally established goals and three nationally established objectives. The national objectives support activities that: (1) benefit low- and moderate-income persons; (2) aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or (3) meet other community development needs having a particular urgency (i.e. disaster recovery relief). In keeping with the primary objective of the CDBG Program, priority is given to projects that primarily benefit low- and moderate-income individuals.

A list of proposed projects and preliminary funding amounts will be available on or before July 8, 2014 and at the public hearing.

2. Housing and Human Services Strategies

The housing and human services strategies will be reviewed as part of the City's 2012 – 2015 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan, which describes how Bellevue addresses housing and community development needs and how CDBG funds fit into our strategies for addressing those needs. The strategies are available anytime and will be available at the public hearing.

Comments

Interested persons are invited to comment on the City's proposed use of 2015 Community Development Block Grant and the 2015-16 Human Services Fund and proposed strategies to

address the human services and housing needs of our community. The public hearing will be held on:

**DATE/TIME: Thursday, July 24, 2014
6:15 p.m.**

**PLACE: Bellevue City Hall
Conference Room 1E-112
450 – 110th Avenue NE
Bellevue, Washington**

Persons wishing to comment should use the public hearing. A public hearing offers a formal opportunity to provide your views to the Commission on the subject of the hearing. The Commission may then discuss the issue and will sometimes make a decision at that time. In other cases, discussion and decision making may be deferred to a future meeting.

Written comments will also be accepted and may be emailed or mailed to Joseph Adriano (jadriano@bellevuewa.gov), Grant Coordinator, Human Services Division, Parks and Community Services Department, City of Bellevue, P.O. Box 90012, Bellevue, WA 90012. Comments must be received by 12:00 P.M. Pacific Time on July 24, 2014. You are encouraged to submit your written comments to the Grant Coordinator by the above deadline so they can be included in the record and distributed to the Commission. Comments received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Wheelchair accessible. American Sign Language (ASL) or other interpretation is available upon request. Assisted listening devices are available. Call at least 48 hours in advance for any request to (425) 452-6884 or Relay Service 711. If you wish to provide comment at the hearing, you will need to sign in before the start of the meeting. Those wishing to provide comment at the hearing will be limited to 5 minutes each.

If you want to speak on the specific subject being heard during a public hearing, you must make your comment during the public hearing portion of the agenda. A sign-up sheet is made available shortly before the meeting begins. You will be called to speak in the order in which you sign in. If previous speakers have already made the comments you wish to make, feel free to simply identify yourself and indicate your agreement with what has already been said. Each speaker will be limited to a maximum of five minutes for their comments. A maximum of three speakers will be allowed to speak representing one group or issue. Discussion between Commissioners and speakers is not permitted during the public hearing. The audience may not comment during the Commission's discussion.